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Sabla Scheme
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girlsâ€"Sabla, if so, the details and salient features thereof;
(b) the funds allocated/released and utilized along with the number of beneficiaries under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(c) whether the Government has received requests/proposals from States/UTs including Chhattisgarh to include more districts under the said scheme, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the reaction of the Government to extend the scheme;
(d) whether the Government has reviewed or proposes to review the said scheme, if so, the details and outcome thereof;
(e) whether the Government allocated/released total quantity of wheat to States/UTs to provide nutritional supplement under the scheme during 2015-16, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the time by which the same is likely to be released; and
(f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for effective implementation of the scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a) Yes Madam, the Government is implementing Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (RGSEAG)–'Sabla', a Centrally-sponsored scheme in 205 districts selected from all the States/UTs. The scheme Sabla aims at empowering Adolescent Girls (AGs) (11-18 years) through nutrition, health care and life skills education.
Scheme Sabla has two major components viz. Nutrition and Non Nutrition. Under the Nutrition component, the out of school AGs in the age group of 11-14 years attending AWCs and all girls in the age group of 14-18 years are provided Supplementary Nutrition containing 600 calories, 18-20 grams of protein and micronutrients, per day for 300 days in a year. The non-nutrition component addresses the developmental needs of adolescent girls. Under this component out of school adolescent girls of 11-18 years are being provided IFA supplementation, health check-up & referral services, nutrition & health education, ARSH counseling/guidance on family welfare, life skill education, guidance on accessing public services and vocational training (only 16-18 year old adolescent girls). It also aims towards mainstreaming out of school AGs into formal/non formal education. Nearly 100 lakh adolescent girls per annum are expected to be benefitted under the scheme.
(b) Statement indicating State/UT-wise funds allocated/released and utilized along with the number of beneficiaries under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year is at Annexure-1 &2 respectively.
(c) The Government has received requests/proposals from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh to include more districts under the said scheme, these States have been informed that the budgetary allocation for the scheme Sabla for the 12th Plan Period is Rs.3650 crore, as such the scheme cannot be implemented in all the districts of the country.
(d) The implementation of the schemes is reviewed from time to time as per details given below:-
i. The monitoring and supervision mechanism set up under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme is used for the scheme Sabla as well.
ii. Performance of the scheme is reviewed on a quarterly/annual basis to identify gaps
iii. Monitoring committees are set up at all levels (National, State, District, Block and Village level) to take stock of the progress of the scheme as also strengthen the coordination and convergence between concerned departments.
Based on the review, the identified gaps are communicated to the States/UTs for taking corrective measures under the scheme.
(e) State wise foodgrains (Wheat /Rice/ coarse grains) allocated under scheme Sabla in 2015-16 is at Annexure-3.
(f) Review meetings/field visits are undertaken to ensure effective implementation of the scheme. The identified gaps are communicated to the States/UTs for taking corrective measures under the scheme.

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